

REMARKS

Election/Restriction

In an Office Action dated September 7, 2004, the Examiner required a restriction under 35 U.S.C. §121 between Group I having Claims 1-16 drawn to a semiconductor device, and Group II having Claims 17-21 drawn to a method of making a semiconductor device.

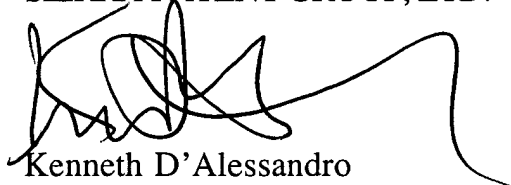
Applicant hereby elects, without traverse, to prosecute Claims 1-16 of Group I. Claims 17-21 of Group II have been canceled without prejudice herein. Applicants reserve the right to pursue the claims in Group II in divisional applications.

Examiner also required, under 35 U.S.C. §121, an election of a single disclosed species (between Embodiments I-VI) for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally held to be allowable. Currently, Claim 1 is generic.

Applicant hereby elects Embodiment I. Claims 1-4, 7 and 8 are readable upon this elected species.

Amendments to the claims are to correct typographical errors only and do not add any new matter.

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